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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of:

Roland De La METTRIE et al.

Application No.: 09/904,831

Filed: July 16, 2001

For: OXIDATION DYE COMPOSITION FOR
KERATIN FIBERS, COMPRISING
NONIONIC AMPHIPHILIC POLYMER

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.194(b), Appellant requests an oral hearing. This request is timely since it is made within two months after the February 4, 2004, mailing date of the Examiner's Answer.

A check for the required fee of \$290.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(d) is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this Request and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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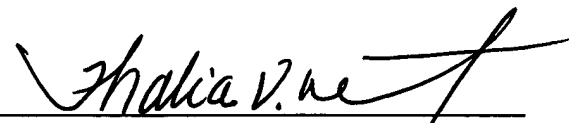
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Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: April 1, 2004

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